

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. In an amphibious craft having a pair of spaced, elongated pontoons, each pontoon having (i) an endless track guided around the periphery thereof; (ii) a hydraulic motor having a stationary part attached to the pontoon and having a motor-drive sprocket; (iii) a track-drive assembly for driving the endless track; and (iv) a chain assembly for transferring power generated by the motor to the track-drive assembly; an improved track-drive assembly, comprising:

a shaft, a track-drive sprocket removably attached to the shaft near or at an end thereof, at least one track sprocket attached to the shaft, and a journaled bearing disposed on the shaft between the track-drive sprocket and the at least one track sprocket.

2. A track-drive assembly for amphibious craft, the track-drive assembly comprising:

a shaft; at least one track sprocket affixed to the shaft; a track-drive sprocket removably affixed to the shaft near or at an end thereof; and a shaft bearing disposed between the track-drive sprocket and the at least one track sprocket.